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For years librarians discarded historical curriculum collections because they were not current, and because the libraries did not have adequate space to store them. Therefore, records of trends in subject content taught to generations of children and young people from kindergarten through grade 12 were unwittingly destroyed. In response to this problem, the Curriculum Materials Committee and the Problems of Access and Control of Education Materials Committee (both part of the American Library Association's Educational and Behavioral Sciences Section) appointed an ad hoc subcommittee to record who was maintaining historical curriculum collections. A survey was devised and mailed out in the winter of 1987 to approximately 85 locations appearing to have such collections. This directory includes those respondents (the vast majority of whom represent college and university libraries and archives) with collections dated prior to 1961. Children's literature is not included because other directories effectively cover that area. The 50 entries are arranged alphabetically under the 17 states represented and Canada. Each entry includes: (1) the institution's address, telephone number, contact person, and hours of operation; (2) a description of the collection; (3) database listings; (4) the classification system in use; (5) a summary of items actively sought and collected; (6) preservation practices; and (7) whether informational brochures are available. A cross reference index is provided. (SD)

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INTRODUCTION

For years there has been growing concern about the dearth of historical curriculum collections among librarians and others who work with kindergarten through grade twelve teaching materials. Each year many are discarded because they are not "current," and most libraries have room to house only current collections. In so doing libraries have unwittingly destroyed records of the trends in subject content taught to generations of children and young people in the United States. The education establishments' historical approach to our national heritage and culture is also being lost. This is a continuing, growing problem since the materials being discarded at the present time to make way for the newer editions and titles are the very ones that scholars will be seeking in twenty-five to fifty years. Unfortunately there is no state, regional, or national plan to complete and preserve such historical curriculum collections.

This growing concern was recognized by the Curriculum Materials Committee and the Problems of Access and Control of Education Materials Committee, both a part of the Education and Behavioral Sciences Section of the Association of College and Research Libraries, a Division of the American Library Association. An ad hoc subcommittee was appointed to study the problem. This subcommittee determined that one of the most important tasks was to discover who was maintaining historical curriculum collections and record this information for distribution. A survey was devised and mailed out in the winter of 1987 to some 85 locations that appeared to have such collections. The directory which follows includes those respondents with collections dated prior to 1961. Children's literature is not included since other directories cover it well. The fifty entries are arranged alphabetically within states and Canada.

The Committee believes this directory will be helpful to at least two groups: those who have materials to discard and those who are working on research projects involving the use of historical K-12 texts. It is hoped that the former group will, instead of throwing away curriculum materials, contact collectors who can offer a permanent location for such works. And it is hoped that the latter group will be assisted in locating collections to consult. The publication is but a beginning solution to a large problem--a problem that perhaps can be appreciated and publicized but not fully resolved by a volunteer agency. The "volunteers" on the Ad hoc Subcommittee on Historical Curriculum Collections were: Ruth E. Bauner, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale; Alice Clark, Emerita, University of New Mexico-Albuquerque; Mary Finley, California State University-

Northridge; James Jarrell, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University; Carole Wilson, San Diego State University; and Chairperson Lois Lehman, CBN University, Virginia Beach.

September, 1988 Ruth E. Bauner

Postscript: While this directory was being completed, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign announced a new grant that will provide national access to the extensive textbook collection in their Education and Social Sciences Library. The Library received the major grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Strengthening Library Research Resources Program. OCLC cataloging records will be entered for nearly 8,000 elementary and secondary textbooks dating from the mid-1800's to the present. Donations of curriculum materials are welcome and inquiries can be made to the Education Subject Specialist.

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CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
Robert E. Kennedy Library
San Luis Obispo, CA 93407
Telephone: (805) 546-2273
Contact: Mary Louise Brady

Description of the collection: Representative collection of textbooks and other curriculum materials for different periods in California adoption from 1931-1960.

Access: Hours 89 1/2 per week. Circulation for room use only (except with special permission). Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Textbooks not classified but arranged by subject first then by publisher.

Actively collecting: A representative number from the different periods for study and research. No separate budget. Earliest materials received as gifts, later material purchased as California State Adopted Textbooks and placed in the collection after the adoption cycle. Representative textbooks will be added to the collection as changes take place in adoption, curriculum guides as available.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON
University Library Curriculum Collection
Fullerton, CA 92634
Telephone: (714) 773-2151
Contact: Mary Crimmins

Description of the collection: A collection of readers and textbooks from various periods. Includes American Childhood Magazine 1932-36.

Access: Hours (10am-9pm). Circulation period four weeks, renewals one week at a time. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Accession number only.

Actively collecting: No budget assigned. Materials represent gifts and items withdrawn from current textbook collection.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN BERNADINO
John M. Pfau Library
5500 University Parkway
San Bernardino, CA 92407
Telephone: (714) 887-7331
Contact: David Boorquin

Description of the collection: Includes about 70 non-book materials, and 500 textbooks from the 1931-1960 period.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-10pm; F 8am-5pm; Sat 9am-5pm; Sun 12noon-8pm). Circulation to all authorized library card holders. Available selectively on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Only new materials.

Classification: Local system based on Library of Congress.

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Collect state adopted materials. Transferred from current collection.

Preservation practices: In-house repair.

Brochure available: Handout guide available.

CLAREMONT COLLEGES
Honnold Library
800 North Dartmouth Avenue
Claremont, CA 91711
Telephone: (714) 621-8000, ext. 3977
Contact: Susan M. Allen

Description of the collection: Special Collections houses 300 pre-1900 readers and textbooks. Circulating Collections has 800 texts and readers dated 1901-1930.

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-5pm) with some additional hours during the academic year. Circulating Collections items available to faculty, students and staff of the Claremont Colleges and through interlibrary loan.

Database listing: All but 100 pre 1900 titles are cataloged in OCLC.

Classification: Library of Congress

Actively collecting: No budget assigned. Much of the collection has been gifts. Additional gifts are solicited.

Preservation practices: Climate Control

Brochure available: No.

ADAMS STATE COLLEGE
Adams State College Archives
Alamosa, CO 81102
Telephone: (303) 589-7011
Contact: Randall Hoelzen

Description of the collection: 80 readers and 15 textbooks all pre 1961.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-9:34 pm; F 8am-4:45 pm; Sat 12 noon - 5pm; Sun 2pm-5:45 pm). In-house use only. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Library of Congress

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Most of the collection was acquired via unsolicited gifts and through decisions to place in archive collection materials which are of considerable value or vulnerable. No plans for expanding the collection.

Preservation practices: Closed stacks. No special practices.

Brochure available: No

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
Elihu Burritt Library Children's Historical Collection
Well Street
New Britain, CT 06050
Telephone: (203) 827-7542

Description of the collection: About 275 pre-1900 and 20 of 1901-1930 items.

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-4pm). Non- circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Dewey Decimal

Actively collecting: Endeavor to keep only very current materials. No assigned budget. The collection has grown mainly by gifts. No plans for active expansion.

Preservation practices: Acid-free folders, acid-free identification strips. Room is air conditioned. Plan to install sleeves to eliminate ultra-violet light from neon tubes.

Brochure available: No

TRINITY COLLEGE
Watkinson Library - Barnard Textbook Collection
Summit Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Telephone: (203) 527-3151 x 307
Contact: Margaret F. Sax

Description of the collection: The Barnard Collection consists of about 7,000 volumes of textbooks used in America from the 17th century to the end of the 19th century. The nucleus of the collection belonged to Henry Barnard. It was given to the Library at the beginning of the 20th century.

Access: Hours (M-F 8:30am-4:30pm; Sat. 9:30am-4:30pm). Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan. Photocopies supplied.

Database listing: Cataloged items only.

Classification: Library of Congress

Actively collecting: Pre-1900 materials and special interest items up to 1920. No assigned budget. Gifts are solicited.

Preservation practices: Fragile items in acid-free boxes; pamphlets in acid-free pamphlet binders.

Brochure available: Exhibition catalog, A Little Learning: School Books in America from Colonial Times to the End of the Nineteenth Century, by Margaret F. Sax, 1983.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
University of South Florida - Special Collections
Tampa, FL 33620
Telephone: (813) 974-2731
Contact: J. B. Dobkin

Description of the collection: 2,000 Pre-1865 American textbooks, readers, and ABC books.

Access: Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan. Photocopies supplied.

Database listing: Yes

Classification: Library of Congress

Actively collecting: All editions of Pre-1865 American texts. Variants of the same title are added.

Preservation practices: Not reported

Brochure available: Not reported

CENTER FOR RESEARCH LIBRARIES
Textbook Collection
6050 Kenwood Avenue
Chicago, IL 60637
Telephone: (312) 955-4545
Contact: Circulation Department

Description of the collection: Approximately 85,000 pre-1960 items. Readers and textbooks from all periods; curriculum guides all 20th century. Includes post high school trade and business school materials.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-5pm). Any researcher may use the collection in the building. Closed stacks. Interlibrary loans to members of CRL. Non-member institutions may borrow for a limited period for a fee. Non-circulating to individuals.

Database listing: None

Classification: Uncataloged. Arranged roughly by Library of Congress classes and within broad subject areas by author.

Actively collecting: Additions to the collection are from deposits by member libraries. Curriculum guides are no longer collected but pre-1900 items may be accepted. No special budget. Some gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: Temperature and humidity controls. Items requested for circulation are repaired or microfilmed when necessary.

Brochure available: Collection described in the Center's Handbook.

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
Milner Library - Special Collections
Normal, IL 61761
Telephone: (309) 438-7450
Contact: Robert Sokan

Description of the collection: 240 readers and 1,150 textbooks pre-1900.

Access: Hours (M-F 8:30am-4:30pm). Room use only. Not available on interlibrary loan. Some photocopies supplied.

Database listing: None

Classification: Inventoried only.

Actively collecting: Pre-1900 textbook gifts accepted.

Preservation practices: No practices.

Brochure available: No

NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
Learning Center: History of Education Research Center
DeKalb, IL 60115
Telephone: (815) 753-1241
Contact: Dr. Peter C. West

Description of the collection: 1,500 pre-1900 and 750 items from 1901-1930 including hornbooks, slates, and non-book materials from the late 1800s.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-9pm; F 8am-4:30pm; Sat 10am-2pm. Non-circulating with a few exceptions.

Database listing: None

Classification: Local system

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Gifts of related materials are solicited.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: Two versions.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
Morris Library
Education and Psychology Library
Carbondale, IL 62901
Telephone: (618) 453-2274
Contact: Dr. Ruth E. Bauner

Description of the collection: 1,481 items from 1931-1960 including 137 volumes of children's periodicals.

Access: Hours (M-Th 7:45am-11pm; F 7:45am-9pm; Sat 10am-6pm; Sun 1pm-11pm). Pre-1960 items are non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Local system

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Selected items withdrawn from the current collection are retained. Some gifts accepted but not actively solicited.

Preservation practices: Some conservation work.

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
University of Chicago Library
Jernegan-Littlefield Collection
Department of Special Collections
1100 East 57th Street
Chicago, IL 60637
Telephone: (312) 702-8705
Contact: Robert Rosenthal

Description of the collection: The collection contains approximately 700 early English and American textbooks, the majority published between 1700 and 1825.

Access: Hours (M-F 8:30am-5pm; Sat 9am-1pm). The collection is non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan but microfilm requests are considered.

Database listing: None

Classification: Library of Congress

Actively collecting: Occasional gifts are received.

Preservation practices: Occasional rebinding

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
Curriculum Collection, Education and Social Science Library
1408 West Gregory Drive
Urbana, IL 61801
Telephone: (217) 333-2305
Contact: Nancy O'Brien

Description of the collection: The collection contains 1,000 pre-1901 readers and textbooks and 4,000 from the 1901-1960 era.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-Midnight; F 8am-10pm; Sat 9am-10pm; Sun 1pm-Midnight). One week loan policy. Available on interlibrary loan for one-week period.

Database listing: OCLC and LCS systems

Classification: Modified Dewey Decimal

Actively collecting: Gifts of historical materials are actively solicited. In 1987-88 a federal grant was received to acquire and catalog historical materials to develop a national resource collection of historical curriculum materials.

Preservation practices: Some conservation work.

Brochure available: Descriptive handout available.

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY
Bracken Library, Educational Resources
Muncie, IN 47306
Telephone: (317) 285-5356 or 5334
Contact: Catherine Armitage or David Caucci

Description of the collection: 629 items from the 18th century to 1945; also a collection of superseded items from the 1945 - 1975 period.

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-10pm; Sat 8am-4pm; Sun 4pm-8pm). Historical textbooks for room use only and not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Textbooks after 1945 in OCLC.

Classification: Modified Dewey Decimal

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Gifts are solicited.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

BUTLER UNIVERSITY
Irwin Library - Rare Books and Special Collections
4600 Sunset Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46208
Telephone: (317) 283-9265
Contact: Gisela Terrell

Description of the collection: The Dellinger Collection of Educational Materials contains over 240 items published 1800-1945 and includes readers, primers, grammars and textbooks on a variety of subjects.

Access: Non circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Library of Congress

Preservation practices: Doing repairs, cleaning, leather treatment and building protective containers.

Brochure available: Information available on rare books. General library handouts.

INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
Cunningham Memorial Library
Cunningham Collection - Department of Rare Books and Special Collections
Terre Haute, IN 47809
Telephone: (812) 237-2612
Contact: David E. Vancil; Robert L. Carter

Description of the collection: Approximately 1,200 volumes of 19th century and early 20th century textbooks of note, particularly McGuffey readers and certain early children's books. Includes rare books, grammars, language studies and textbooks on the history of education and American classic works in education.

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-4:30pm) Department use only. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Being cataloged in OCLC.

Classification: Library of Congress. Those in Dewey Decimal being recataloged.

Actively collecting: Materials in classical historical and instructional research and teaching methodology are collected. No assigned budget but shares in annual allocation. Gifts solicited. Some purchases are made.

Preservation practices: Climate control. No stamping or normal library marking is done.

Brochure available: Descriptive handout available.

NOTE: Two other education collections and the Cunningham Collection make up "Classics of American Education." They are the Floyd Family Collection which contains some 700 early textbooks used or published in Indiana from 1840 to 1940 and the Walker Collection of some 300 early American textbooks primarily from the nineteenth century.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA
Special Collections/University Archives
8600 University Blvd.
Evansville, IN 47712
Telephone: (812) 464-1896
Contact: Gina Walker

Description of the collection: 400 pre-1931 glass lantern slides, 19 pre-1931 readers, and 33 pre-1931 textbooks. Includes McGuffey, Goodrich, and Aldine Readers.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-4pm). In-house use only. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: All included in OCLC and GEAC.

Classification: Library of Congress

Actively collecting: Budget of $55 per year. Most materials received through gifts.

Preservation practices: Rare book identification slips. No pockets, stamps or tape use. Leather is preserved. Shelved in glass cases under Mylar protected lights. Glass slides in acid-free boxes.

Brochure available: Description in department pamphlet.

THE JONES LIBRARY, INC.
Johnson Collection
Amherst, MA 01002
Telephone: (413) 256-0246
Contact: Daniel Lombardo

Description of the collection: A collection of children's books from the 17th century to about 1925 ranging from almanacs to spellers, all subjects, strong in early readers and spellers.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-5pm; Tues 9am-9pm; Sat 10am-5pm). Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Local system

Actively collecting: No separate assigned budget but purchases are made and gifts accepted as they become available.

Preservation practices: Climate controlled facility. Leather bindings restoration.

Brochure available: No

AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY
185 Salisbury Street
Worcester, MA 01609
Telephone: (617) 755-5221
Contact: Richard Fyffe, Sr.

Description of the collection: Comprehensive collections of American editions published before 1821; representative collection of American editions 1821-1876 totaling about 2,600 primers, readers, and textbooks.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-5pm). Non-circulating; open to adult researchers after interview with senior staff member. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Pre-1801 in RLIN. 1821-1876 school books to be entered by 1991.

Classification: Local system.

Actively collecting: By purchase and gifts actively seeking pre-1821 American imprints; selectively collecting 1821-1876 American imprints; post-1876 and foreign materials are not collected.

Brochure available: No

HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Monroe C. Gutman Library
Graduate School of Education
Appian Way
Cambridge, MA 02138
Telephone: (617) 495-4225
Contact: John W. Collins, III

Description of the collection: American textbook collection of 35,000 volumes published between 1800 and 1950.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-5pm). Open to the public upon registration. Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Local system

Actively collecting: Selective acquisitions by purchase and gift. A collection policy is in preparation.

Preservation practices: A plan is in development.

Brochure available: No.

OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE RESEARCH LIBRARY
Old Sturbridge Village Road
Sturbridge, MA 01566
Telephone: (617) 347-3362
Contact: Theresa R. Percy

Description of the collection: New England imprints of early 19th century readers (162) and textbooks (440) on a wide range of subjects.

Access: Open to the public. Hours (M-F 8:30am-5pm). Circulation to staff only. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: OCLC

Classification: Dewey Decimal.

Actively collecting: Acquisitions are made selectively by purchases and gifts.

Preservation practices: A conservation technician on staff treats all paper collection items.

Brochure available: No

THE POCUMTUCK VALLEY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION LIBRARY AND THE HENRY N. FLYNT LIBRARY OF HISTORIC DEERFIELD, INC.
The Memorial Libraries
P. O. Box 53, Memorial Street
Deerfield, MA 01342
Telephone: (413) 774-5581
Contact: David R. Proper

Description of the collection: About 385 textbooks from the 19th century covering a wide range of subjects.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-5pm). Available to qualified readers during library hours. Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database searching: OCLC

Classification: Local system

Actively collecting: Seeking gifts and occasional purchase of local, state, and New England historical materials.

Preservation practices: Temperature and humidity controls in storage area. Binding treatment is by trained volunteers. Grant funds are used for professional conservation, preservation and repair. Some materials are filmed.

Brochure available: Research brochure describes entire libraries' collections.

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
University Libraries
Russell B. Nye Popular Cultural Collection
Special Collections Division
East Lansing, MI 48824
Telephone: (517) 355-3770
Contact: Jannette Fiore or Anne Tracy

Description of the collection: A collection of pre-1960 materials includes five curriculum guides from the 1901-1930 period and nearly 2,000 readers and textbook - 1,390 of which are pre-1900 items.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-5pm; Sat 10am-2pm during academic term). Open to all responsible persons with required identification. Photocopying permitted: Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Mainly by local system

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Actively seeking donations of pre-1900 materials of cultural and sociological significance.

Preservation practices: Usual special collections practices.

Brochure available: No

TRENTON STATE COLLEGE
Roscoe L.West Library
Hillwood Lakes, CN 550
Trenton, NJ 08625
Telephone: (609) 772-2433 or 2332
Contact: Dr. Patricia Smith Butcher

Description of the collection: The historical collection has 650 K-12 textbooks and 210 readers from the pre- 1900's through 1960. The collection is strongest in the K-6 area.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-11pm; F 8am-6pm; Sat 9am-5pm; Sun 1-11pm). Open to the public for in-house use. Circulation limited to college community. Available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Abridged Dewey Decimal

Actively collecting: Additions to the collection are made from materials transferred from the Curriculum Materials Room. Gifts are not actively solicited due to space limitations.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

MONMOUTH COLLEGE
Guggenheim Memorial Library
West Long Branch, NJ 07764
Telephone: (201) 222-5890
Contact: Robert Van Benthuysen

Description of the collection: About 100 readers and 2,500 textbooks from the pre-1900 era.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8:45am-Midnight; F 8:45am-8:30pm; Sat 9am-5pm; Sun 2-5pm).

Database listing: None

Classification: Arranged by subject

Actively collecting: Not actively collecting but selected gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

TEACHERS COLLEGE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
Milbank Memorial Library
525 W. 120th Street
New York, NY 10027
Telephone: (212) 678-3022
Contact: Donna Barkman

Description of the collection: The historical curriculum/textbook collection includes 12,000 curriculum guides of which a substantial number are pre-1960 and 50 are pre-1900 items. The non-book curriculum materials include 54 pre-1900 items such as games and programmed learning kits. There are 400 pre-1900 readers and 17,000 pre-1960 textbooks. Three thousand from the 19th century. The library also has an extensive (19,500) collection of foreign textbooks primarily pre-1960 items.

Access: Hours (M-Th 10am-10:30pm; F and Sat 10am-6pm; Sun 1-9pm). Pre-1900 and Special Collections materials are non-circulating and not available on interlibrary loan. Others may circulate on a selective basis.

Database listing: Partially in RLIN.

Classification: Dewey Decimal for pre-1970 and Library of Congress for past-1970 materials.

Actively collecting: Gifts are solicited and occasional purchases are made.

Preservation practices: Primarily handled by the Conservation Laboratory. A microfilming project is being planned.

Brochure available: Listed in the Library's Special Collections brochure.

EASTCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY
1835 Marble School Collection
P.O. Box 35
Eastchester, NY 10709
Telephone: (914) 337-9032
Contact: Madeline D. Schaeffer

Description of the collection: The collection has substantial pre-1930 items including 25 curriculum guides, 1,200 readers, 800 textbooks, and 1,000 other related items such as story books.

Access: Hours (T and Th 2-4pm or by appointment). Circulation and interlibrary loan occasionally in exceptional circumstances. Open for school and college group visits.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Dewey Decimal

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: Usual special collections practices using volunteers.

Brochure available: No

STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AT BUFFALO
B. H. Butler Library
Kempke-Root Textbook Collection
1300 Elmwood Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14222
Telephone: (716) 878-6304
Contact: Sister Mary Joseph Jones

Description of the collection: The 673 items include 400 pre-1900, 200 from the 1901-1930 period and 73 from 1931-1960.

Access: Hours (M-F 8:30am-4:30pm). Non circulating. Selectively available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Not stated.

Actively collecting: Gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: According to archival standards.

Brochure available: No

STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AT ONEONTA
James M. Milne Library
Special Collections Center
Oneonta, NY 13821
Telephone: (607) 431-3072
Contact: Diane Clark

Description of the collection: The Early Textbook Collection includes 224 pre-1930 readers and 898 pre-1930 textbooks.

Access: Hours (M-F 1:30-4:30pm). Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Cataloged in OCLC.

Classification: Library of Congress.

Actively collecting: Textbooks for all subjects in elementary and secondary school primarily pre-1910 are sought. Additions are made by purchases and gifts.

Preservation practices: Materials are housed in locked cases with wire fronts (for air circulation) in a temperature/humidity controlled atmosphere. Acid-free call number slips are used; accession/property plates are tipped in with wheat paste.

Brochure available: Included in Alden Room brochure.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT STONY BROOK
University Library
Department of Special Collections
Stony Brook, NY 11794
Telephone: (516) 246-3615
Contact: Evert Volkensy

Description of the collection: Includes curriculum guides, readers, and textbooks from the 19th century through 1960.

Access: Hours (M-F 11am-4:45pm or by appointment). Room use only. Not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None

Classification: Chronological arrangement.

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER
Department of Rare Books and Special Collections
Rochester, NY 114627
Telephone: (716) 275-4477
Contact: Evelyn Walker

Description of the collection: Consists of approximately 25 readers, 500 textbooks and 25 primers.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-noon, 1-5pm). Non-circulating and not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Partially on OCLC.

Classification: Library of Congress.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned. Gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: Good storage conditions.

Brochure available: No

DUKE UNIVERSITY
Perkins Library
Chaffin Collection
Durham, NC 27706
Telephone: (919) 684-3675
Contact: Florence Blakely

Description of the collection: The collection consists of readers and textbooks of the 19th century and the 1901-1930 period with a few items from the 1931-1960 era.

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-midnight; Sat 9am-6pm; Sun 2pm-midnight). Most of the collection circulates to qualified borrowers and is available on interlibrary loan. Pre-1820 United States imprints are considered rare books and circulation is restricted.

Database listing: Only items purchased since 1979 are on OCLC.

Classification: Dewey Decimal.

Actively collecting: Additions to the collection are primarily from gifts. A few rare books are purchased.

Preservation practices: No special practices except rare books receive special collections treatment.

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY
Jerome Library
Curriculum Resource Center
Bowling Green, OH 43403
Telephone: (419) 372-2956
Contact: Frances Povric

Description of the collection: Approximately 600 titles representing textbooks from the 19th century and the 1901-1960 period. A collection of children's literature also includes a substantial number of readers.

Access: Hours (8am-10pm). All items circulate for one week to qualified borrowers and are available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Pre-1930 imprints are not included.

Classification: Local system.

Actively collecting: No purchases are made but gifts are accepted or transferred from other departments.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

HIRAM COLLEGE
Teachout-Price Memorial Library Textbook Collection
Hiram, OH 44234
Telephone: (216) 569-7433
Contact: Joanne M. Sawyer

Description of the collection: Approximately 600 volumes representing school and college textbooks dated 1770-1954, including 78 readers, 514 textbooks and 16 dictionaries.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-noon, 1-4pm). Items circulate by special permission. Materials which are not fragile are available on interlibrary loan for library use.

Database listing: In progress.

Classification: Local system.

Actively collecting: Gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: Archival standards used.

Brochure available: No

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
King Library
Walter Havighurst Special Collections Library
Oxford, OH 45045
Telephone: (513) 529-2537
Contact: Helen Ball

Description of the collection: About 4,000 pre-1900 textbooks, mainly 19th century American, 490 Mcguffey readers, spellers and related items.

Access: (M-F 8am-11:30am; 1pm-5pm). The collection is non-circulating and not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Local system and partially cataloged.

Actively collecting: Gifts of unduplicated items are welcomed.

Preservation practices: Minor repairs are made. Better environmental controls are expected.

Brochure available: No

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
Edgar Dale Educational Media and Instructional Materials Library
260 Ramseyer Hall
29 West Woodruff Avenue
Columbus, OH 43210
Telephone: (614) 422-1177
Contact: Betty Cleaver or Shirley Morrison

Description of the collection: Literature which reflects the social attitudes, styles of writing and illustrations of the 18th, 19th, and early 20th centuries including such items as ABC books, bestiaries, moral and religious instruction, chapbooks and pop-up books. Included are approximately 45 curriculum guides, 50 non-book curriculum items, 10 readers, 10 textbooks, and 250 other items published prior to 1960.

Access: Hours (M,Th,F 9am-5pm; T,W 9am-9pm). Non-circulating and not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: About one-third on OCLC.

Classification: University of Iowa Textbook and Dewey Decimal Systems.

Actively collecting: A regular budget is used for additions. Gifts are solicited. Facsimile editions are sometimes purchased.

Preservation practices: Part of the collection is in locked cases. No other special practices.

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON LIBRARY
Textbook Collection and Historical Textbook Collection
Eugene, OR 97403
Telephone: (503) 686-3072
Contact: Katy Connors

Description of the collection: The historical collection is made up of readers and textbooks formerly in the current collection and includes items which were state adopted in the past.

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-11pm; Sat 9am-11pm; Sun 10am-11pm).Circulation is for two weeks and interlibrary loan for three weeks.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Dewey Decimal, Library of Congress and local system

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned. Gifts are added on a selective basis.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

LIBRARY COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA
1314 Locust Street
Philadelphia, PA 19143
Telephone: (215) 546-3181
Contact: Phil Lapsansky

Description of the collection: 18th and 19th century texts, grammars, miscellaneous pedagogical works for instruction. The collection has eight non-book curriculum items, 75 readers, and 75 textbooks all pre-1900.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-4:45pm). Non-circulating. Interlibrary loan is restricted to selected post-1880 imprints.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Local system by L.P. Smith, the librarian of the institution in the late 19th century.

Actively collecting: Occasional purchases of early American imprints, or works of authors or groups of interest related to the collections. Gifts are accepted on a selective basis.

Preservation practices: The collection is part of an ongoing conservation program for rare books.

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
Pattee Library
Department of Special Collections and Rare Books
University Place, PA 16802
Telephone: (814) 865-1793
Contact: Charles Mann

Description of the collection: American textbooks of the 1800s through early 1900s including 121 pre-1900 and 15 of 1901-1930 readers, 431 pre-1900 textbooks and 49 from the 1901-1930 period, and 15 from 1931-1960.

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-5pm). Materials do not circulate but are available through interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Uncataloged.

Actively collecting: No assigned budget. Gifts are solicited.

Preservation practices: Usual special collections and rare books practices.

Brochure available: No

SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY
Bailey Library
Instructional Materials Center
Slippery Rock, PA 16057
Telephone: (412) 794-7243
Contact: Jane Scott

Description of the collection: The collection contains 44 curriculum guides, 8,700 non-book curriculum items, 12 readers and 76 textbooks of the 1931-1960 period.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-10pm; F 8am-4:30pm; Sat 9am-5pm; Sun 2-10pm). Materials circulate for one week and print items are available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Local system.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
University of Pittsburgh Libraries
Special Collections Department
John A. Nietz Textbook Collection
363 Hillman Library
Pittsburgh, PA 15260
Telephone: (412) 624-4428
Contact: Charles E. Aston, Jr.

Description of the collection: Contains nearly 14,000 volumes including old primary and secondary school texts some of which date back to the 16th century and most of which were published before 1900.

Access: Hours (M-F 8:30am-5pm). Non-circulating. Not available on interlibrary loan. Selected photocopying is done.

Database listing: Local data base printout. Presently being entered into OCLC.

Classification: Library of Congress.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned. Gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: Secured shelving and analysis of condition of the collection now underway.

Brochure available: In-house handout. More information can be found in Nietz, John A., Old Textbooks, 1961 and Evolution of American Secondary School Textbooks, 1966.

WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY
Francis Harvey Green Library
West Chester, PA 19383
Telephone: (215) 436-3393
Contact: Alberta M. McAfee

Description of the collection: The collection is, for the most part, books which have been withdrawn from the Instructional Materials Collection. It includes about 50 local curriculum guides from the 1931-1960 period, about 26 items and/or sets of non-book curriculum materials from 1931-1960, a number of readers, 2 sets of Little Wonder Books from 1931-1960 and about 5,000 textbooks (230 pre-1900, 1,100 from 1901-1930, and 2,600 from 1931-1960).

Access: Hours (M-F 8am-4pm). The collection is available for inhouse use only and not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Not classified. Arranged chronologically. Cataloging is planned for the future.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned. Gifts are accepted inclusively for the pre-1900 period, selectively for later items.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
Museum of Education, McKissick Museums
Wardlaw Hall
Columbia, SC 29208
Telephone: (803) 777-5741 or 777-7257
Contact: Dr. Craig Kridel

Description of the collection: The collection includes 2,792 K-12 pre-1960 textbooks. The focus is on South Carolina, Southern, and United States materials. Also included are photo archives, desks, and other items.

Access: Hours (M-Th 9am-5pm). Non-circulating and not available on interlibrary loan. Photocopying is permitted.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Local listing.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned. Gifts are solicited.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No. Inventory handout is available.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
The Margaret and Herman Brown Library
Early Day Textbook Collection
Abilene Christian University Station, Box 8177
Abilene, TX 79699
Telephone: (915) 672-3444
Contact: Dr. Callie Faye Milliken

Description of the collection: Old textbooks and readers principally used at the pre-college level before 1900, a total of 686 items.

Access: (M-F 1-5pm). Circulation and interlibrary lending are limited.

Database listing: Partially listed.

Classification: Dewey Decimal.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned. Gifts are actively solicited.

Preservation practices: Controlled environment.

Brochure available: One is being planned.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY
Learning Resources Center
San Marcos, TX 78666
Telephone: (512) 245-3686
Contact: Ryana Wright

Description of the collection: Historical materials (the Daughters of the American Revolution Collection) consist mainly of old textbooks used in the public schools before 1900.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-11am; F 8am-10pm; Sat 8am-5pm; Sun 1-10pm). Materials circulate for two weeks.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Partially by Dewey Decimal.

Actively collecting: No additions are being sought.

Preservation practices: No special practices.

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MILWAUKEE
Golda Meir Library
P.O. Box 604
Milwaukee, WI 83201
Telephone: (414) 963-4074
Contact: Marianna Markowitz

Description of the collection: A collection made up of pre-1960 readers, textbooks, and children's fiction books. About 200 textbooks.

Access: Hours (M-Th 8am-Midnight; F-Sat 8am-6pm). The collection does not circulate and is not available on interlibrary loan.

Database listing: Later editions cataloged on OCLC.

Classification: Dewey Decimal.

Actively collecting: By transfers from the current collection and by gifts.

Preservation practices: No special practices except by separate shelving.

Brochure available: No

UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
Harriet Irving Library
Archives and Special Collections
P.O. Box 7500
Fredericton, NB E3B 5H5
Canada
Telephone: (506) 453-4748
Contact: Mary Flagg

Description of the collection: This collection of 1909 New Brunswick items includes curriculum guides, seven pre-1900, 17 from the 1901-1930 period, and 73 from 1931-1960; readers 68 pre-1900, 60 from the 1901-1930 period, and 146 from 1931-1960; textbooks 38 from pre-1900, 52 from the 1901-1930 period, and 83 from 1931-1960.

Access: Hours (M-F 8:30am-5pm). In-house use only but interlibrary loan is available on a selective basis.

Database listing: None.

Classification: Dewey Decimal and local arrangement.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned. Gifts are solicited and other area libraries make donations.

Preservation practices: No special practices except environmental controls at rare books standards.

Brochure available: No

THE ONTARIO INSTITUTE FOR STUDIES IN EDUCATION
Ontario Textbook Collection
252 Bloor Street West
Toronto, Ontario M5S 1V6
Canada
Telephone: 923-6641
Contact: Ruth Marks, Jan Schmidt

Description of the collection: About 1,000 Ontario curriculum guides from the 1901-1960 period, 2,600 Ontario textbooks and readers from 1846-1970, and the 10,000 Ontario Teachers Federation Collection plus approximately 7,000 uncataloged items.

Access: Hours (M-F 9am-5pm). In-house use only.

Database listing: Only the current collection is in UTLAS.

Classification: Dewey Decimal.

Actively collecting: No budget is assigned but gifts are accepted.

Preservation practices: Rare book treatment such as call numbers on acid-free slips.

Brochure available: For current collection only.

METROPOLITAN SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD
Historical Collection, Library Department
80 Sheppard Avenue East
Toronto/Willowdale
Ontario, Canada M2N 6E8
Telephone: (416) 229-5324
Contact: Mark Sebanc

Description of the Collection: The historical collection includes readers and textbooks from the 19th century to the present.

Access: Hours (8:30am-4:30pm). Non-circulating but interlibrary loan requests will be considered on an individual basis.

Database listing: Presently being entered into UTLAS.

Classification: Dewey Decimal.

Actively collecting: Included in total archival materials budget. Acquisition by purchase, solicitation of gifts and donation from other educational institutions.

Preservation practices: Housed in a secure, stable environment. Some microfilming planned.

Brochure available: No, but one is planned.

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